

[0015] FIG. 3a is a cross-sectional view of a touch-sensitive LCD panel according to another embodiment of the present invention;

[0016] FIG. 4 is an exploded perspective view of the touch-sensitive LCD panel according to the embodiment of the present invention;

[0017] FIGS. 5 and 6 show that the voltage V_x and V_y of the touch-sensitive LCD panel are measured according to the embodiment of the present invention;

[0018] FIG. 7 shows that the voltage V_x and V_y of the touch-sensitive LCD panel are calculated according to the embodiment of the present invention;

[0019] FIG. 8 is a partial plan view of a TFT substrate according to the embodiment of the present invention;

[0020] FIG. 9 is a partial plan view of a TFT substrate according to an alternative embodiment of the present invention;

[0021] FIG. 10 is a partial plan view of a TFT substrate according to another embodiment of the present invention;

[0022] FIG. 11 is a partial plan view of a TFT substrate according to a further embodiment of the present invention;

[0023] FIG. 12 is a partial cross-sectional view of a TFT substrate according to a further embodiment of the present invention;

[0024] FIG. 13 is a flow diagram showing a method for calculating a coordinate of a touch position according to an embodiment of the present invention;

[0025] FIG. 14 is a flow diagram showing a method for manufacturing a TFT substrate according to an embodiment of the present invention; and

[0026] FIG. 15 is a flow diagram showing a method for manufacturing a CF substrate according to an embodiment of the present invention.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

[0027] Referring to FIG. 3, it depicts a touch-sensitive liquid crystal display (LCD) panel 100, e.g. an in-cell touch-sensitive panel. The touch-sensitive LCD panel 100 includes a thin film transistor (TFT) substrate 112, a color filter (CF) substrate 114 and a liquid crystal (LC) layer 140. The liquid crystal layer 140 is disposed between the TFT substrate 112 and the CF substrate 114. The TFT substrate 112 includes a transparent substrate 120, an electrode layer 124, a net-shaped readout circuit (e.g. a net-shaped metallic lines 125) and a first insulating layer 126. The electrode layer 124 is formed above the transparent substrate 120. The net-shaped metallic lines 125 are also formed above the transparent substrate 120. The first insulating layer 126 is adapted to cover the electrode layer 124 and the first insulating layer 126.

[0028] Referring to FIG. 4, the net-shaped metallic lines 125 includes M widthwise readout lines (e.g. widthwise metallic lines 152) and N lengthwise readout lines (e.g. lengthwise metallic lines 154), wherein M and N are integers and more than two. The widthwise metallic lines 152 are electrically connected to the lengthwise metallic lines 154. In this embodiment, the widthwise metallic lines 152 and the lengthwise metallic lines 154 can have $M \times N - 4$ connections 156 arranged in array manner. In other words, the widthwise metallic lines 152 and the lengthwise metallic lines 154 can have no connection arranged at corners of the net-shaped metallic lines 125. In another embodiment, the widthwise metallic lines 152 and the lengthwise metallic lines 154 can also have $M \times N$ connections 156 arranged in array manner. A

plurality of conductive pads 158 arranged in array manner are electrically connected to the net-shaped metallic lines 125, and arranged to be adjacent to the connections 156.

[0029] Referring to FIG. 3 again, in this embodiment, the CF substrate 114 is opposite to the TFT substrate 112 and includes a transparent substrate 130, a plurality of black matrixes 137, a plurality of color filters 135, a plurality of spacers 142, a plurality of protrudent portions 134 and a transparent electrode 138. The black matrixes 137 are disposed on the transparent substrate 130. The color filters 135 are disposed on the transparent substrate 130 and the black matrixes 137, wherein the color filter 135 located on the black matrix 137 is formed to a protrusion 139. The spacers 142 are disposed on the protrusions 139 of the color filter 135 for keep the first pre-determined gap G1 between the TFT substrate 112 and the CF substrate 114. The protrudent portions 134 are disposed on the black matrixes 137, wherein there is a height difference H defined between top surfaces 142a of the spacers 142 and top surfaces 134a of the protrudent portions 134. The spacers 142 and the protrudent portions 134 can be made of same material by same manufacturing processes. The protrudent portions 134 are corresponding to the conductive pads 158, and there is the second gap G2 located between the protrudent portions 134 and the conductive pads 158. The protrudent portions 134 are made of nonconductive material. The transparent electrode 138 covers the transparent substrate 130, the black matrixes 137, the color filters 135, the spacers 142 and the protrudent portions 134. In addition, the arrangement density of the conductive pads 158 depends on design requirement, and further the arrangement density of the protrudent portions 134 are corresponding to that of the conductive pads 158. However, it is not necessary that the arrangement density of the spacers 142 is corresponding to that of the conductive pads 158. Thus, some of the spacers 142 are adjacent to the protrudent portions 134, and it is not necessary that the others of the spacers 142 are adjacent to the protrudent portions 134.

[0030] Referring to FIG. 3a, in another embodiment, the TFT substrate 112 further includes a pad layer 143, which is formed between the transparent substrate 120 and the spacers 142. The pad layer 143 is simultaneously formed during the manufacturing processes of scan lines and data lines. The pad layer 143 causes the spacers 142 to increase the gap between the TFT substrate 112 and the CF substrate 114 to be G1', and increases the gap between the protrudent portions 134 and the conductive pads 158 to be G2'. In other words, the gap between the protrudent portions 134 and the conductive pads 158 can be adjusted by the thickness of the pad layer 143 so as to fulfill the best touch-sensitive effect.

[0031] Referring to FIGS. 5 and 6, in this embodiment, the transparent electrode 138 of the CF substrate 114 and the net-shaped metallic lines 125 of the TFT substrate 112 are considered as upper conductive layer 104 and lower conductive layer 102 of a resistance type touch-sensitive panel. The principle of the resistance type touch-sensitive panel is that the lower conductive layer 102 controls two conductive lines parallel to X axis and two conductive lines parallel to Y axis (i.e. four metallic lines 102a, 102b, 102c, 102d located around the lower conductive layer 102), and the upper conductive layer 104 responsibly transmits the voltage V_x of X-axis and the voltage V_y of Y-axis during touching. In this embodiment, the transparent electrode 138 is an uniform conductive layer, and thus the transparent electrode 138 can responsibly transmit the voltage when the transparent elec-